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THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO



Assessment Engineer's Report

CORONADO VIEW MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

Annual Update for Fiscal Year 2010

under the provisions of the

**San Diego Maintenance Assessment District Ordinance
of the San Diego Municipal Code**

and

**Landscaping & Lighting Act of 1972
of the California Streets & Highways Code**

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Coronado View

Maintenance Assessment District

Preamble

Pursuant to the provisions of the "San Diego Maintenance Assessment District Ordinance" (being Division 2, Article 5, Chapter VI beginning at Section 65.0201 of the San Diego Municipal Code), provisions of the "Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972" (being Part 2 of Division 15 of the California Streets and Highways Code), applicable provisions of "Proposition 218" (being Article XIID of the California Constitution), and provisions of the "Proposition 218 Omnibus Implementation Act" (being California Senate Bill 919) (the aforementioned provisions are hereinafter referred to collectively as "Assessment Law"), in connection with the proceedings for the CORONADO VIEW MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT (hereinafter referred to as "District"), AECOM USA, INC., as Assessment Engineer to the City of San Diego for these proceedings, submits herewith this report for the District as required by California Streets and Highways Code Section 22565.

FINAL APPROVAL, BY RESOLUTION NO. _____ ,
ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN
DIEGO, COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, ON THE
_____ DAY OF _____, 2009.

Elizabeth Maland, CITY CLERK
CITY OF SAN DIEGO
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Executive Summary

Project: Coronado View
 Maintenance Assessment District

Apportionment Method: Equivalent Benefit Unit (EBU)

	FY 2009	FY 2010 ⁽¹⁾	Maximum ⁽²⁾ Authorized
Total Parcels Assessed:	116	116	--
Total Estimated Assessment:	\$18,757	\$0.00	--
Total Number of EBUs:	116.00	116.00	--
Assessment per EBU:	\$161.70	\$0.00	\$195.82 ⁽³⁾

⁽¹⁾ FY 2010 is the City's Fiscal Year 2010, which begins July 1, 2009 and ends June 30, 2010. Total Parcels Assessed, Total Estimated Assessment, and Total Number of EBUs may vary from prior fiscal year values due to parcel changes and/or land use re-classifications.

⁽²⁾ Maximum authorized annual amounts subject to cost-indexing provisions as set forth in this Assessment Engineer's Report.

⁽³⁾ Prior fiscal year's maximum authorized annual assessment increased by cost-indexing factor of 3.16%.

Proposition 218 Compliance: The District, originally formed in July 1983, was re-engineered in Fiscal Year 1998 for compliance with Proposition 218. By a ballot proceeding, majority property owners (69.77% of the weighted vote) approved Fiscal Year 1998 assessments, maximum authorized assessments for subsequent years, and provisions for annual cost-indexing.

Annual Cost-Indexing: The maximum authorized assessment rate has been increased based on the approved annual cost-indexing provisions.

Bonds: No bonds will be issued in connection with this District.

Background

Following a majority owner petition pursuant to the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972, the City of San Diego (City) initiated proceedings and formed the Coronado View Maintenance Assessment District (District) by resolution number R-258954 on July 26, 1983. These are the improvements comprising the District, made in accordance with the San Diego Maintenance Assessment District Procedural Ordinance: maintenance of the sloped areas adjacent to the street rights-of-way along 60th Street from Federal Boulevard to Tooley Street which are landscaped with ground cover, trees and shrubs; and maintenance of street gutters. The purpose of the District was, and still is, to provide for the maintenance of these improvements.

The District was re-engineered in Fiscal Year 1998 for compliance with Proposition 218. By a mail ballot proceeding, property owners approved the re-engineering with 69.77% of weighted votes supporting the proposed assessments. Over 37% of property owners responded to the mail ballot.

The Assessment Engineer's Report, preliminarily accepted by Resolution Number R-289113 in August 1997, proposed Fiscal Year 1998 assessments, maximum authorized assessments for subsequent years, and provisions for annual cost-indexing of the maximum authorized assessments. The Assessment Engineer's Report was approved and assessments confirmed by Resolution Number R-289386 in Fiscal Year 1998.

District Proceedings for Fiscal Year 2010

This District is authorized and administered under the provisions of the "San Diego Maintenance Assessment District Procedural Ordinance of 1986" (being Division 2, Article 5, Chapter VI beginning at Section 65.0201 of the San Diego Municipal Code), provisions of the "Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972" (being Part 2 of Division 15 of the California Streets and Highways Code), applicable provisions of "Proposition 218" (being Article XIII D of the California Constitution), and provisions of the "Proposition 218 Omnibus Implementation Act" (being California Senate Bill 919) (the aforementioned provisions are

hereinafter referred to collectively as "Assessment Law"). This report has been prepared in compliance with Assessment Law.

The purpose of the proposed proceedings and this Assessment Engineer's Report is to update the District budget and assessments for Fiscal Year 2010. The Fiscal Year 2010 assessments proposed within this Assessment Engineer's Report are equal to or less than the maximum authorized assessment. Therefore, the vote requirements of Section 4 of Article XIID do not apply to these proceedings.

A public hearing will be scheduled where public testimony will be heard by the Council, and the Council may, at its discretion, adopt a resolution ordering the levying of the proposed assessments.

Bond Declaration

No bonds will be issued in connection with this District.

District Boundary

The Boundary Map and Assessment Diagram for the Coronado View Maintenance Assessment District are on file in the Maintenance Assessment Districts Section of the Park and Recreation Department of the City of San Diego and by reference are made a part of this report. A reduced copy of the Boundary Map is shown in Exhibit A.

Empire Addition Subdivision

The Empire Addition Subdivision includes those properties east of 60th Street, adjacent to the open space parcel being maintained by the District. For reasons described below, these properties do not benefit from the District improvements in any manner that warrants an apportionment of maintenance costs.

Due to local topography, the parcels within the Empire Addition Subdivision do not directly view the slope, nor do they receive any enhanced viewshed. Though these parcels receive some degree of lateral support from the slope being maintained by the District, such support is their right by ownership. In general, prevention of erosion and slope stability is the responsibility of the owner of the slope. In this case, the slope was created to enable subdivision and development of

Coronado View. For this reason, Coronado View receives benefit by maintaining the slope and thus reducing potential liability associated with slope erosion or failure.

The Empire Addition Subdivision is excluded from the boundary of the District. Only parcels within Coronado View have been assessed for the reasons stated above.

Project Description

The project to be funded by the proposed assessments is the maintenance of gutters, slopes adjacent to the rights-of-way along 60th Street, which are landscaped with ground cover, trees and shrubs. The location of the improvements being maintained by the District are depicted in Exhibit A. Maintenance activities include, but are not limited to, collection and disposal of fallen branches and trees, tree and bush trimming, weeding, erosion control, gutter cleaning, and ongoing inspection and repairs.

The engineering drawings for the improvements maintained by the District are on file at Maps and Records in the Development Services Department and are incorporated herein. The improvements and services provided by the District will be maintained in accordance with specifications and contracts on file with the Park and Recreation Department. These documents are available for public inspection during normal business hours.

Separation of General and Special Benefits

The City makes no contribution to the District. All maintenance, operation, and administrative costs that are funded by the District are considered to be “special benefits”. The City does not provide similar services to the public at large as “general benefits.”

Cost Estimate

Estimated Costs

Estimated Fiscal Year 2010 annual expenses, revenues, reserves, and assessments (provided by the City) are included as Exhibit B hereto.

Annual Cost-Indexing

With the passage of Proposition 218, any proposed increase in assessments must be placed for approval before the property owners by a mail ballot and a public hearing process, similar to these proceedings. A majority of ballots received must be affirmative for the City Council to confirm and levy the increased assessments. For small assessment districts or districts with relatively low dollar assessments, the cost of an engineer's report, balloting, and the public hearing process can potentially exceed the total cost of the increase. These incidental costs of the proceedings can be added to the assessments, resulting in even higher assessments.

Indexing assessments annually to the San Diego Consumer Price Index for Urban Consumers (SDCPI-U), as approved by the District property owners in Fiscal Year 1998, allows for minor increases for normal maintenance and operating cost escalation without incurring the costs of the Proposition 218 ballot proceedings. Any significant change in the assessment initiated by an increase in service provided or other significant changes to the District would still require the Proposition 218 proceedings and property owner approval.

The maximum authorized assessment established in the Fiscal Year 1998 proceedings are authorized to be indexed (increased or decreased) annually by the factor published in the SDCPI-U. The maximum authorized assessment rates contained within this Assessment Engineer's Report have been indexed in accordance with these cost-indexing provisions.

Method of Apportionment

Estimated Benefit of Improvements

All benefits assessed to the District are special to this District and are distinct from other parcels as to the level of services received from the City.

Creation of the open space, which is maintained by this District, was required in order to allow the community to be developed in its current location, within the slopes and topography of the area. The maintenance of this open space parcel, including cleaning of the

adjacent street gutter, benefits the District by maintaining its functionality, improving the aesthetics of the community, controlling erosion, and preventing degradation of the community which would result if the open space parcel and gutters were neglected.

Apportionment Methodology

The total cost for maintenance of the improvements funded by the District will be assessed to the various parcels in proportion to the estimated Equivalent Benefit Units (EBUs) assigned a parcel in relationship to the total EBUs of all the parcels in the District. All the parcels (single family homes) are estimated to benefit equally and are all assigned an EBU of one (1).

Summary Results

The Boundary Map for the District is shown in Exhibit A.

An estimate of the maintenance costs associated with District improvements is shown in Exhibit B.

The assessment methodology utilized is as described in the text of this report. Based on this methodology, the EBUs and Fiscal Year 2010 District assessment for each parcel were calculated and are shown in the Assessment Roll (Exhibit C).

Each lot or parcel of land within the District has been identified by unique County Assessor's Parcel Number on the Assessment Roll and the Boundary Map and Assessment Diagram referenced herein. The net assessment for each parcel for Fiscal Year 2010 can be found on the Assessment Roll.

This report has been prepared and respectfully submitted by:

AECOM USA, INC.

Eugene F. Shank, PE

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Carolyn R. Crull

I, _____, as CITY CLERK of the CITY OF SAN DIEGO, COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, do hereby certify that the Assessment as shown on the Assessment Roll, together with the Assessment Diagram, both of which are incorporated into this report, were filed in my office on the ____ day of _____, 2009.

Elizabeth Maland, CITY CLERK
CITY OF SAN DIEGO
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

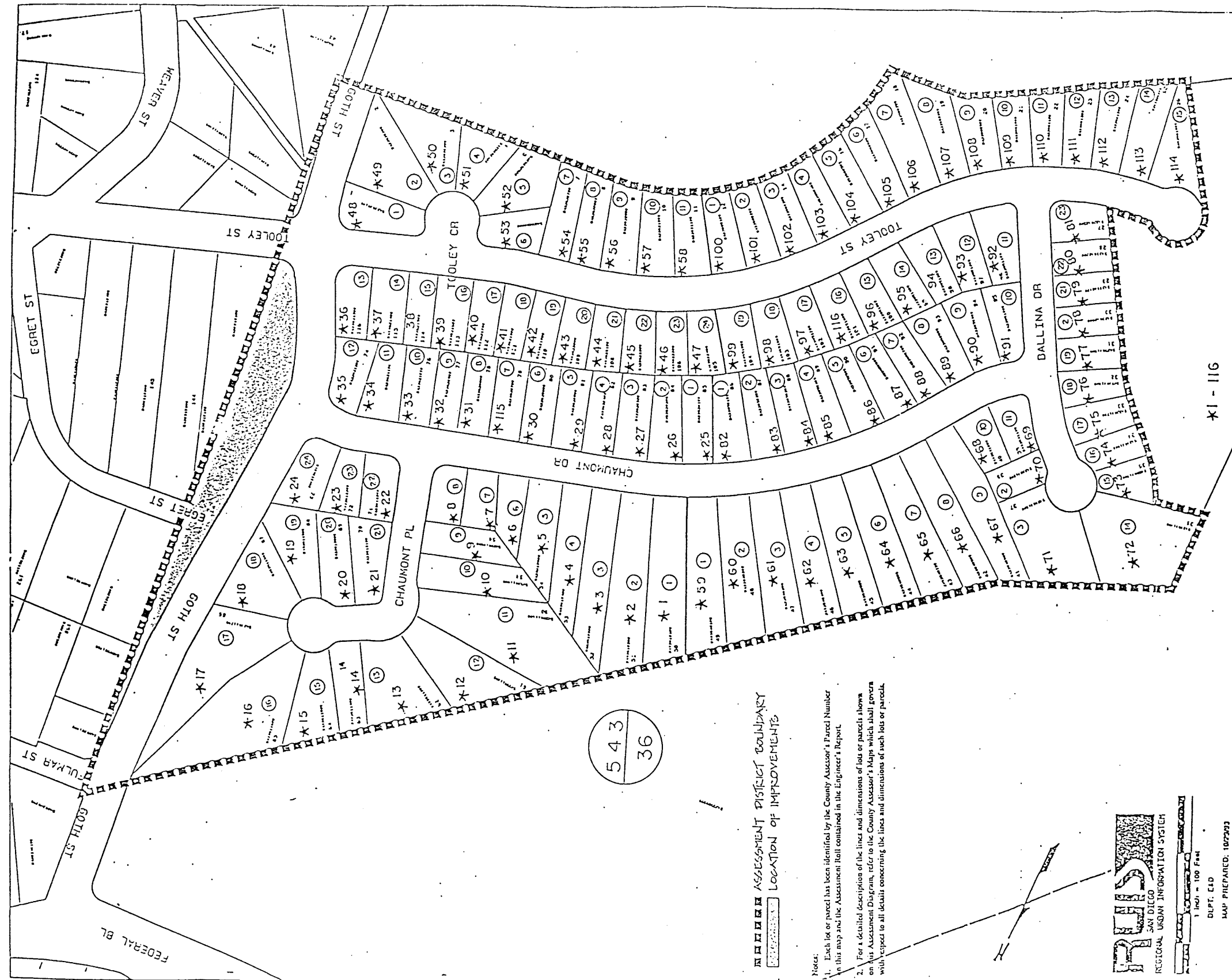
I, _____, as CITY CLERK of the CITY OF SAN DIEGO, COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, do hereby certify that the foregoing Assessment, together with the Assessment Diagram incorporated into this report, was approved and confirmed by the CITY COUNCIL of said City on the ____ day of _____, 2009.

Elizabeth Maland, CITY CLERK
CITY OF SAN DIEGO
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

I, _____, as CITY ENGINEER of the CITY OF SAN DIEGO, COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, do hereby certify that the foregoing Assessment, together with the Assessment Diagram was recorded in my office on the ____ day of _____, 2009.

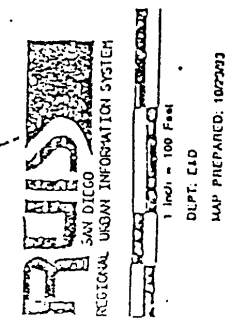
Afshin Oskoui, CITY ENGINEER
CITY OF SAN DIEGO
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

EXHIBIT A



ASSESSMENT DISTRICT BOUNDARY
LOCATION OF IMPROVEMENTS

Notes:
1. Each lot or parcel has been identified by the County Assessor's Parcel Number in this map and the Assessment Roll contained in the Engineer's Report.
2. For a detailed description of the lines and dimensions of lots or parcels shown on the Assessment Diagram, refer to the County Assessor's Map which shall govern with respect to all details concerning the lines and dimensions of such lot or parcels.



CITY OF SAN DIEGO	
W.O. NO. 133213	DATE. 10/93
CORONADO VIEW	
Landscape District	Maintenance

CORONADO VIEW
Maintenance Assessment District

EXHIBIT B

EXHIBIT B - Estimated Annual Expenses, Revenues & Reserves

Coronado View - Fund No. 70226

	FY 2008 BUDGET	FY 2009 BUDGET	FY 2010 BUDGET
BALANCE FROM PRIOR YEAR	\$ 20,262	\$ 27,254	\$ 22,858
REVENUE			
Assessments	\$ 18,757	\$ 18,757	\$ -
Interest	\$ 670	\$ 900	\$ 800
Environmental Growth Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Gas Tax Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
General Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Miscellaneous	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 19,427	\$ 19,657	\$ 800
TOTAL BALANCE AND REVENUE	\$ 39,689	\$ 46,911	\$ 23,658
EXPENSE			
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
OPERATING EXPENSE			
Personnel	\$ 2,737	\$ 2,805	\$ 2,730
Contractual	\$ 10,024	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,804
Incidental	\$ 2,319	\$ 2,103	\$ 2,819
Utilities	\$ 4,288	\$ 4,650	\$ 3,071
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE	\$ 19,368	\$ 16,558	\$ 16,424
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RESERVE			
Contingency Reserve	\$ 20,321	\$ 30,353	\$ 7,234
TOTAL RESERVE	\$ 20,321	\$ 30,353	\$ 7,234
BALANCE	\$ -	\$ 0	\$ -
TOTAL EXPENSE, RESERVE AND BALANCE	\$ 39,689	\$ 46,911	\$ 23,658

EXHIBIT C

Due to the size of the Assessment Roll (Exhibit C), only limited copies are available. Please contact the City of San Diego, Park & Recreation Department, Open Space Division, Maintenance Assessment Districts Program at (619) 685-1350 to review the Assessment Roll.